



Storied halls



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Farrell Library was constructed in 1927 and was named after the eighth president of K-State, Francis David Farrell. The library's Great Hall is still put to great use today.

Hale, Farrell libraries a staple of K-State campus for 80 years

Joel Aschbrenner
KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

Walking through the halls of Hale Library, students might not realize they are traversing four buildings, built in four different eras, but joined to create the library that now stands as the centerpiece of K-State's campus.

The first part of the building, his-



Farrell Library has very unique architectural details. It was not altered at all when the Hale expansion was constructed.

toric Farrell Library, was built in 1927. Additions were made in 1955, 1970, and 1997, when the building was renamed Hale Library.

The original library was named after Francis David Farrell, the university's eighth president, who oversaw the library's construction in 1927. The building was named after him in 1955 with the addition of the first stacks.

"It was a symbol of the university," said Tony Crawford, university archivist. "You had Anderson Hall, which clearly people recognize, and then you had the library, which was such an important building. And Farrell had stood like that until 1955."

When Farrell Library was built, it was the first building at K-State created solely to house books.

The majority of the university's books were housed in the Blue-mont College building until 1877, when they were moved to Farm Machinery

Hall. Then, two years later, they were moved to Anderson Hall. When Anderson Hall became too crowded to keep the books, Congress gave K-State \$60,000 in 1883 to build a new building to house its libraries. That building, which was named Fairchild Hall in 1902, eventually became too crowded and prompted the construction of Farrell Library.

When Farrell Library opened its doors, it housed over 85,000 books. Today, the library proudly displays more than 2 million titles, Crawford said.

The architecture and grandeur of Farrell made it stand out. It was built with marble walls, marble wainscoting (paneling), and even marble drinking fountains, said Pat Patton, research specialist for the university archives.

"The type of architecture in Farrell Library is very classic," she said.

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Downtown redevelopment slowed by credit crisis

By Scott Girard
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This is the first part of a four-part series investigating different aspects of the Manhattan downtown redevelopment. This story will concern the impact of the economic downfall on the redevelopment. Check out the Collegian Web site for visual explanations that will accompany each story.

The credit crisis across the country has been problematic even here in Manhattan, especially concerning the future of the downtown redevelopment.

Though some businesses like Hy-Vee and Bed, Bath & Beyond have already started constructing buildings, the contractor for the redevelopment has had trouble finding other businesses to come to the area.

Because of a lawsuit by Manhattan Citizens for Sustainable Downtown Redevelopment against Dial Realty for changing the original layout of the redevelopment, City Financial Manager Bernie Hayden said businesses were leery of signing leases in the redevelopment district

for the past year.

"Lawsuits are problematic because it is hard to get retailers to make commitments to come in and build things when they know that there's a lawsuit outstanding," Hayden said.

Dial won the case during the summer, but the Manhattan group has appealed to the Kansas Supreme Court, which might not hear the case for up to a year. Immediately after Dial won the case, Rick Kiolbasa, manager for the redevelopment at Dial, said he decided to go through with plans to start construction in the north district, and the lawsuit is no longer an issue for most retailers.

Kiolbasa said the main reason why Dial is having trouble attracting businesses to the area is the falling economy. He said most national retailers are not expanding because of the recent credit and lending crunch.

"To say that everything is easy and straight-forward, that would not be the case," he said.

The inability to find retailers has direct effects on the southern redevelopment district. The city owns most of the land in the south redevelopment



Nathaniel LaRue | COLLEGIAN

Some businesses have started construction in the Downtown Redevelopment District, but more than 30 percent of the Northern District lies empty.

district, which includes a luxury theater, Hilton Gardens Inn, a convention center and plains museum. The city was able to buy that land because of a loan from a bank in Denver and must pay the loan back by June 2009.

The city is hoping to raise the funds to repay the loan by selling STAR bonds – or sales tax revenue bonds – to various investors across the country, mainly investment banks. The

city would then pay back the loans from sales taxes generated by retailers in the north redevelopment.

The problem is that the city cannot issue STAR bonds until Dial fills the northern district with 70 percent of retail business. Though Kiolbasa said Dial is close to the mark, the city will probably have

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Student group, Women's center to host Run Against Rape

By Jelani Yancey
KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

The K-State Women's center, in partnership with Wildcats Against Rape, will be host to the Run Against Rape from 3 p.m. to 7 p.m. Saturday at Old Ahearn Stadium.

According to estimates from the U.S. Department of Justice, 412 rapes take place annually on a campus the size of K-State, most of which go unreported. The Run Against Rape represents efforts to stamp out sexual assault in Manhattan and raise awareness about the issue worldwide, said Michelle Painter, presi-

dent of Wildcats Against Rape.

"The primary goal is to get people talking and thinking about rape as an issue, and to give them an opportunity to do something to make a difference," said Cathleen Klausing, vice president of Wildcats Against Rape.

About 30 local businesses are sponsoring the run. Proceeds will benefit Mercy Hospital's Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner/Sexual Assault Response Team, the K-State Women's Center and Wildcats Against Rape.

A bulk of the money will go to Panzi Hospital in Bukavu, Congo, said Mary Todd, director of K-State's Women's Cen-

ter. Roughly 90 percent of Panzi's patients are victims of assaults that are taking place amid a civil war, Todd said. The assaults are so brutal that treating the victims often involves reconstructive surgery.

Saturday's event will mark the first Run Against Rape. The Women's Center is trying to make it an annual event, Todd said.

Saturday's Run will offer free food, local bands and a deejay. About 200 people are currently signed up to participate in the Run, Todd said. Participants can sign up at <http://www.k-state.edu/womenscenter/W.A.R./RAR.html>.

Clinic to offer flu vaccine through end of November

By Corene Brisendine
KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

Lafene Health Center will offer flu vaccinations every Thursday until Thanksgiving.

The clinic will be operating on a walk-in basis from 8:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. and from 1:30 p.m. until 4 p.m., Carol Kennedy, director of health promotion, said.

Lafene staff will be set up specifically for vaccinations on Thursdays.

"If [students, faculty or staff members] hit a time when a lot of others are walking in, it may take some time," Kennedy said.

Lafene also will offer flu vaccinations during the health fair Nov. 5 at the K-State Student Union.

Kennedy said family members who are 18 years old or older also may receive vaccinations through Lafene until Thanksgiving. Shots are \$14 for students and \$19 for staff and faculty members.

The Centers for Disease Control produced this year's flu vaccine to cover two type-A flu strands and one type-B strand. The CDC also has approved a nasal spray form of the vaccine, but Lafene will not provide this form unless requested.

Kennedy said the spray form was more expensive and not cost effective for Lafene to provide it.

Some believe the flu vaccine causes recipients to contract the flu, but this is a misconception, Kennedy said.

The vaccine can take up to two weeks to provide immunization. If the recipient comes into contact with the flu virus before the vaccine has had a chance to work, the person still can contract the flu.

Other viruses exhibit symptoms like body aches and low-grade fever like the flu.

Also, if a fourth strain of the flu virus spreads through the population that the CDC has not created a vaccine for, people will contract the flu regardless of receiving the vaccine.

In rare cases, recipients of the flu vaccine do not develop the immunization after receiving the shot.

"We do encourage students to get the vaccine, because if they do get the flu, it will not be as severe," Kennedy said.

Side effects of the vaccine might include soreness, redness or swelling at the injection site, low-grade fever and body aches. The symptoms should go away within two days, Kennedy said.

The Riley County Health Department will offer flu vaccinations to the entire community through February. The health department vaccinates people of all ages, including children.

The cost of the flu shot is \$25 without insurance, clinic supervisor Kathy Dickey-Wilson said.

"We do have a lot of Medicare and elder population, but we serve a wide variety of people," Dickey-Wilson said.

The health department began traveling to business and local schools to administer shots Monday. The health department does this service for the community as a convenience.

The employees are able to get the flu shots without taking time off or driving off site.

However, only teachers and staff members in the local schools are able to receive flu vaccines, Dickey-Wilson said. The children must have a parent present to receive the flu shot.

"Anyone who wants to decrease their chances of getting the flu should get vaccinated," Dickey-Wilson said.

Who should be vaccinated

1. Children ages 6 to 18 months
2. Pregnant women
3. People 50 and older
4. People of any age with certain chronic medical conditions

EXAMPLES:

- Diabetes
- Asthma
- Renal dysfunction
- Hemoglobinopathies (hemophilia)
- Immunosuppression (transplant patients, HIV)
- 5. People who live in nursing homes and other long-term care facilities
- 6. People who live with or care for those at high risk

EXAMPLES:

- Health care workers
- Caregivers of children less than 6 months old

Who should NOT be vaccinated

1. People who have a severe allergy to eggs
2. People who have had a severe reaction to the flu vaccination
3. People who developed Guillain-Barre syndrome within 6 weeks after a flu vaccination
4. Children less than 6 months old
5. People who have a moderate-to-severe illness with a fever (may vaccinate following recovery of illness)

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YOU SUCK | BY NOLAN FABRICIUS AND JEFF BROWN

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THE MOST POPULAR KANSAS BABY NAMES IN 2007

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2. JACOB

3. ALEXANDER

4. JACKSON

5. NOAH

GIRLS:

1. ADDISON

2. EMMA

3. AVA

4. MADISON

5. EMILY

— Social Security Administration

THE BLOTTER

ARRESTS IN RILEY COUNTY

SUNDAY

Josh Bryant Bigelow, Clearwater, Fla., was arrested at 12:50 a.m. for driving under the influence. Bond was set at \$750.

Benjamin Wayne Bower, 800 Lee St., was arrested at 1:40 a.m. for littering and obstruction of the legal process. Bond was set at \$853.

Clint Daniel Frank, 2309 Anderson Ave., was arrested at 2 a.m. for disorderly conduct. Bond was set at \$750.

Kevin Lee Mitchell, 810 Bluemont Ave., was arrested at 2:10 a.m. for disorderly conduct. Bond was set at \$750.

Kevin Lorenzo Stuckey, Junction City, was arrested at 2:18 a.m. for failure to appear. Bond was set at \$750.

Cynthia A. McNulty, 3000 Tuttle Creek Blvd., No. 135, was arrested at 3:30 a.m. for battery. Bond was set at \$500.

Nicholas James Benton Kiefer, Overland Park, Kan., was arrested at 3:35 a.m. for driving with a canceled or suspended license and unlawful habitual violation. Bond was set at \$2,750.

Austin Alan Pfannenstiel, 717 Bertrand St., was arrested at 5:04 a.m. for trafficking contraband in a correctional institution and disorderly conduct. Bond was set at \$1,500.

Lauren Vanarsdale Jackson, 614

Yuma St., was arrested at 6:05 p.m. for obstruction of the legal process and driving under the influence. Bond was set at \$1,500.

Kerry Lantz Kolzow, 2309 Anderson Ave., was arrested at 6:44 p.m. for driving under the influence. Bond was set at \$750.

Gerald Thomas Och, 1412 Beechwood Terrace, No. 8, was arrested at 7:50 p.m. for unlawful acts relating to possession of depressants, stimulants or hallucinogenic drugs or other substances. Bond was set at \$500.

MONDAY

Sonya Danielle May, 1425 Flint Hills Place, No. 2306, was arrested at 9:52 a.m. for failure to appear. Bond was set at \$100.

Danielle Sheree Tilcock, Junction City, was arrested at 1:40 p.m. for probation violation. Bond was set at \$100,000.

Matthew Aaron Orona, 1741 Kings Road, was arrested at 4:10 p.m. for battery. Bond was set at \$500.

Michael Antonio Miles, Leavenworth, Kan., was arrested at 10:40 p.m. for probation violation. Bond was set at \$500.

Michael Craig Luftman, 913 Bluemont Ave., No. 1, was arrested at 11:20 p.m. for driving with a canceled or suspended license. Bond was set at \$1,750.

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Students, faculty and staff can donate blood from 3 to 8 p.m. until Thursday in Putnam Hall; from 10:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. until Thursday at the K-State Student Union; and from 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Friday in the Union.

Career and Employment Services will sponsor Walk-in today from noon to 4 p.m. in Holtz Hall. For more information, go to [www.k-state.edu/ces](#).

Intramural entries for student golf and wrestling will be accepted until today in the administrative office at the Peters Recreation Complex. Student golf will be at Stagg Hill Golf Course on Sunday for fraternities and Oct. 19 for residence halls, independent and women's divisions. Play as an individual or a team of four. Sign up for a tee-time in the office. Pay the \$1.07 intramural fee in the office and green fee at the golf course. The intramural wrestling meet will be Oct. 13-16 in the small gym at the Peters Recreation Complex. For more information and entry forms, go to [http://reservices.k-state.edu/intramurals/intramuralsactivitiesevents.htm](#) or call 785-532-6980.

Career and Employment Services will sponsor Overseas Teaching Workshop at 4 p.m. Thursday in K-State Student Union

213. For more information, go to [www.k-state.edu/ces](#).

Alpha Xi Delta's third-annual Fiesta Feed will be from 5 to 9 p.m. Friday at 601 Fairchild Terrace. The cost of the all-you-can-eat nacho buffet is \$3. The Jared Daniels Band will perform, and participants can celebrate with pinatas.

The Academic Majors Fair will be 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Oct. 15 in the K-State Union Grand Ballroom.

The influenza vaccine is available at Lafene Health Center. Flu vaccine clinics are scheduled for Oct. 9, 16, 23 and 30 and Nov. 6, 13 and 20, or until supplies are depleted. Please refer to Lafene's Web site, [www.k-state.edu/lafene](#), for vaccine dates/times and info.

For a list of homecoming activities Oct. 19-25, go to [www.k-state.com/homecoming](#). These activities include a 5K race to benefit the Jon and Ruth Ann Wefald City Pavilion, Sidewalk Chalking Contest, Crazy Cat Kickoff, Pant the Chant, Paint the 'Ville Contest, Wildcat Request Live, K-State Ambassador Elections, Yard Art displays, Homecoming Parade, Homecoming Pep Rally, and Homecoming Tailgate Competition.

CORRECTIONS AND CLARIFICATIONS

There was an error in Tuesday's Collegian. Rep. Sydney Carlin, D-Manhattan, does not support gambling in Kansas. The Collegian regrets the error.

If you see something that should be corrected or clarified, call news editor Jacque Haag at 785-532-6556 or e-mail [collegian@pub.ksu.edu](#).

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Groups install 14 weather towers throughout Kansas

By Natalie Crane
KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

The Kansas Weather Data Library will be able to provide more information thanks to the addition of 14 new weather towers around the state.

Several groups including the Kansas Department of Transportation, the Kansas Biological Survey and the Kansas Water Office joined with the library to put in new tower systems, which will be installed this fall.

The groups were interested in weather data and formed a “consortium” to decide what data everyone

needed, said Mary Knapp, climatologist in charge of the library.

Tom Lowe of the Kansas Water Office said he “worked cooperatively” with the Weather Data Library and helped gather funds from the Kansas Legislation and the Bureau of Reclamation.

The library, located on K-State’s campus in the basement of Throckmorton Hall, contains data concerning precipitation, temperature, wind measurements, etc.

It gathers its data from towers across the state and constantly records the information.

During the consortium’s meeting, the group came up with a list of what everyone hoped for and what instruments were needed. They decided on the Mesonet Standard, which has the national standard height for temperature, solar radiation and humidity readings.

Knapp said they later decided to look at the gaps in the data collected to decide where the new towers were needed.

To fill in the gaps, new towers are to be placed in north central Kansas in Clay, Osborne and Mitchell counties.

A few towers will be

placed in Jefferson County in the east central part of Kansas. Others will be spread throughout other gaps in the state, but the largest percentage will be in the north central area.

Older networks throughout the state also will be upgraded to fit new standards. By upgrading old networks and installing the new towers, it will help the ability to do forecasting in those areas.

One of the new towers went up recently in the Nelson Environmental Study area near Lawrence.

Paul Liechti, assistant director of the Kansas Biological Survey, orchestrated

ed the new site to help replace an old weather tower they had been using.

“Long-term weather records have multiple benefits,” he said.

Liechti said data from the tower goes online every few minutes providing a continuous record for people to use.

Botanists, field workers and soils people use the information for research projects.

As for the Kansas Water Office, they will use the data to provide information for farmers, power companies, flood watch, the National Weather Service and many more, Lowe

said.

Even fighting fires could benefit from data on wind.

Knapp said the group is deciding where to install even more towers next year. Besides the planning process, it takes time to find a suitable area for a tower and to get permission from property owners.

They need to be in areas with consistent land cover and will not be near buildings or houses.

Knapp said all towers must be on grass or on Conservation Reserve Program land because these lands will not change and have few or no trees.

FACULTY PROFILE

Leadership instructor passionate about students, teaching

By Jenna Scavuzzo
KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

Applying his own optimism and zest to help students acquire leadership skills, leadership instructor Mike Finnegan’s famous red hair and bright smile parallel his fiery teaching style.

Finnegan, a K-State graduate, began to teach in the school of leadership studies in 2006, six years after he received his bachelor’s degrees in criminology and geography. He said returning to K-State was one of the best decisions he’s ever made.

“Realizing I could continue my involvements at K-State through working with first-semester freshmen got me really fired up,” Finnegan said. “I was asked to teach introduction to leadership concepts, which seemed like a natural fit for me.”

Finnegan said his representation of and connection with K-State has continued to grow since his graduation.

While he was a student, he was a yell leader, which he said filled the majority of



COURTESY PHOTO

administration from UCM.

In 2006, Finnegan moved back to Manhattan to teach in the school of leadership studies, which began in 1998. He is also currently a Ph.D. student in higher education administration at K-State, and plans to achieve his degree in 2010.

Finnegan said Susan Scott, director and assistant vice president of leadership studies, knew he was thinking about moving in another direction with his career path. He said she immediately notified him when a teaching position in the school opened, and he began pursuing it.

“The job seemed perfect for me,” he said. “I had been working with the recruitment aspect of K-State, and I realized the immediate impact for retention I could give to new K-State freshmen. I wanted to help navigate students during their most critical collegiate times.”

WHAT’S NEXT?

Finnegan said he had never thought about teaching before – he had only

been involved with university administrative roles, and planned on working with law enforcement as an undergraduate. He said he developed his motivational, energetic and interactional teaching style through considering what would have made him want to learn while he was a student.

“My teaching goal each day is to bring students to the forefront in discussion, and personalize the material,” he said. “I also try to channel all types of communication to students, and set them up with technology knowledge.”

Finnegan said because he had never had fundamental teaching experiences or classes he had taken before, he began observing respected K-State teachers to learn how to effectively teach. He said Dr. Vickie Clegg, a principles of college teaching instructor at K-State, revealed to him what it takes to be a good college instructor.

“I had never had experience before, and she introduced rubrics, assessments, student learning outcomes,

and personal teaching philosophies to me,” he said. “She effectively introduced me to all that in a semester. I love teaching because there’s always somebody to observe.”

THE REWARD

Finnegan said his favorite aspect of teaching is helping students who want to learn, but have a hard time connecting the leadership theories to processes and practices. He also said he loves working with freshmen who don’t understand the material, and takes advantage of any moment that gives him an opportunity to teach.

“I have the opportunity to model the way in a classroom, and try to identify what makes students tick,” he said. “I have the opportunity to direct that student to an area where that student can blossom and find strengths.”

Although his students help him feel a connection to teaching, Finnegan said he grows increasingly passionate about leadership each day because of his col-

leagues.

“Because of the people I work with, I work with full passion to be the best instructor of leadership I can be,” he said. “They have helped me have a growing appreciation for diversity and building inclusive teens, as well as the future of leadership studies.”

SELF-PERCEPTION

Finnegan describes himself as a high-energy, caring, creative and understanding person, and some of his colleagues agree and appreciate his enthusiastic, goal-oriented nature.

“Mike is an energetic, passionate person, and is caring as both a colleague and a friend,” said Todd Wells, assistant director of leadership studies. “He’s a dreamer and a big thinker. He’s always passing out ideas left and right, and puts these ideas into practice.”

In addition to being an instructor, Finnegan is involved with Moore Hall’s 6th floor, which is a leadership cluster floor. He is also chapter adviser for Sigma Nu.

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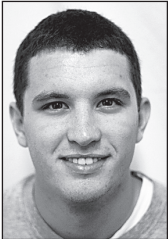
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Easy money

Automobile industry receives undeserved financial aid with bailout



Christina Klein | COLLEGIAN



TIM
HADACHEK

Our government has been in a generous mood lately. Economic stimulus checks should have helped the sagging economy over the summer, correct? Maybe not. A government takeover of Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac should stabilize the housing market, right? Not so much. Throw \$700 billion at the financial sector and hope that solves the problem? I'm not holding my breath. Somehow, U.S. auto-

makers have managed to crash this party too. Largely unheralded during the fight over the financial bailout, Congress voted to fund \$25 billion in guaranteed loans for the U.S. auto industry. In exchange for their free money, Ford, General Motors and Chrysler are required to raise their average fuel economy standards to 35 miles per gallon. Actually, it's not surprising that lobbyists for the automakers were able to push through billions of dollars of relief with little resistance from Congress. A quick look at the electoral map shows that Michigan, Indiana and Ohio account for 48 votes in the Electoral College. In each of these states, the presidential race is within five percentage points, according to a Gallup poll. These states also

account for a large percentage of the automobiles produced within the U.S. Thus, we see a prime example of how electoral politics affects public policy. Neither party or presidential candidate wants to risk losing these three states. And so we see McCain, the nominee for the party of fiscal responsibility and free markets, calling in the Detroit News for "any reasonable proposal that moves the industry to a more stable and prosperous future." But this plan does nothing to move these companies into the future. In fact, it only ensures that they will stay in the past longer. The Big Three Automakers' current predicament is their own fault. They invested heavily in SUVs and trucks during the 1990s and made large profits. When rising energy

costs raised the demand for fuel efficiency, they did not adapt and Toyota, Honda and others filled the gap. Why should taxpayers pay for the bad business practices of Ford, GM and Chrysler? The main argument for bailing out the financial sector is that it would have a major, lasting impact on our economy if those banks failed. The same cannot be said for the auto industry. Already, Americans buy more cars from foreign companies than domestic. Foreign automakers would simply pick up the slack in sales from the American companies. They would also be more likely to open factories here, employing workers displaced from the Big Three. Finally, bailing out the automakers sets a dangerous precedent for government intervention. If we are going to prop up both investment banks and the auto industry, where do we draw the line? Are no businesses allowed to fail? If Pepsi gets into financial trouble do we bail them out too? For that matter, what about you and me? We've all got credit card or student loan debt. Let's have the government bail us out as well. Next year, when these government loans have failed to correct the flailing auto industry, their lobbyists will return to Washington, begging for more. Several legislators have already told the Detroit News that they intend to ask for \$25 billion more next year. Hopefully, the absence of election-year populism and a year of perspective will allow lawmakers to see that government intervention is not the way to fix the auto industry.

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Citizens should be aware of government policies



BRANDON
LOHMAN

The 3rd Infantry Division's 1st Brigade Combat Team was scheduled to go on duty Oct. 1 in a domestic response role, according to a report in the Army Times. Their mission statement is clear: to provide organized service at home in times of emergencies, both natural and man-made — a service many found lacking in the post-Katrina chaos. The brigade might be called in to assist with scenarios including terrorist attacks and dealing with civil unrest or crowd control. Under the Posse Comitatus Act, a government agent is expressly prohibited from employing federal servicemen in a law enforcement role within the

United States except where authorized by the Constitution or an Act of Congress under penalty of fine or imprisonment. The Insurrection Act of 1807 limits the president's authority to call martial law and deploy troops to cases where an insurrection or violence occurs that denies citizens their constitutional rights. The Insurrection Act is generally exempt from the PCA. This president has expanded his office's authority to deploy troops in some 2006 amendments to the Insurrection Act. These expanded powers include tapping National Guardsmen without requiring their state governor's approval and declaring martial law in cases of natural disaster, anti-terrorism or other purposes. One might be curious as to what other arbitrary states of emergency would warrant the executor's deployment of federal troops on home soil. Undirected rioting and lawlessness? Open rebellion? How about a peaceable rebellion: a public assembly

in protest, a rally on private property, a concerned patriot writing to a small newspaper? After all, any glimmer of dissent could potentially discredit the administration's public image and thus undermine its ability to "preserve unity." I would suggest Googling "Labor Day Mass Arrest RNC" and "DNC pier" at one's leisure. Defining "civil unrest" for the 3rd Infantry treads a blurry line. Open rebellion would certainly qualify, but one wouldn't put it past this administration. All of this is a moot point, as Congress, in a rare moment of competence, sought to repeal these amendments in early 2008 with a majority sufficient to overturn a veto in both houses. President Bush reluctantly signed the bill — with a signing statement — when he could not pull off a pocket veto. History has shown that standing armies pose a threat to the liberty of its nation's people. The military must always subordinate itself to civil authority, and this brigade is out

of line to serve in a law enforcement capacity. When the unthinkable occurs, the responsibility of restoring order lies solely upon the state police and state National Guard. Federal troops have no business standing anywhere outside of a federal district. Our "decider" has apparently forgotten that his powers have been taken away like those privileges of a misbehaving child. No matter, as the signing statement is a blank check to keep going, perhaps using his personal army on the most tenuous of grounds against the most unimposing of political enemies. President Bush is not an evil mastermind subtly dismantling the American Republic; frankly, he's not smart enough. He is, however, formulating a blueprint demonstrating the ease and facility of usurping power while American citizens idly turns an ignorant eye. We can be certain an ambitious young Caesar is paying very close attention, biding his time until he can seize absolute power.

In these uncertain economic times, our nation is on a path flirting with socialism. Considering also our swollen executive branch, we approach a system much more menacing. Verily, I say to you, "No, sir." Our grandfathers fought and died honorably delivering Europe from fascism, not for their sons to establish it here. Shame on you America, for allowing your electorate to rule with impunity. There is still time to discourage a young Julius by taking an active role in the process. Throw those persons responsible from their desks to the streets, and communicate with their replacements that egregious disrespect for our most sacred tenets will not be tolerated. If her people are so comfortable with the status quo as to remain silent, then America truly is dead, and the great experiment is over.

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TO THE POINT

Early-warning system could help students stay on track

TO THE POINT is an editorial selected and debated by the editorial board and written after a majority opinion is formed. This is the Collegian's official opinion.

College is often most students' first major transition in life, so needless to say, it can be intimidating. Students are uncertain about their classes, daily schedules and ultimately, where they fit on the college spectrum. K-State students are no exception. Whether you're a minority, low-income or out-of-state stu-

dent - or just caught off guard by living away from home for the first time - maneuvering your way through the first semester of college can be confusing and discouraging, and K-State's retention rates show this. However, K-State's administration has recognized this, and starting this semester, it is implementing a Mid-Term Academic Progress Reports, an early-warning system in which faculty who have one or more new freshmen enrolled in their courses will rate students' academic performance as satisfac-

tory or unsatisfactory. The ratings are posted on iSIS for the students to see. This sort of early-warning system is just what college students need to start them off on the right track and help them pinpoint and correct errors before it's too late. Though there are many other factors besides grades and lack of interest in school that affect whether students graduate from college, this is definitely a large part of a student's success. Helping them out early on rather than waiting until the end of the semester to tell them

they're failing is a smart and simple way to alert students to their own academic sore spots and give them a chance to redeem their grades. Hopefully, more professors will jump on the early-warning bandwagon and recognize that struggling students might need an extra bit of help toward the start of the semester to succeed in the long run. If professors and students work more closely in a give-and-take relationship style, hopefully more students can walk across the stage and receive their diploma on graduation day.

THE FOURUM

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Technically we're not high school sweethearts, because we did not go to the same high school.

To get oral sex, I have to buy my girlfriend Twizzlers.

A car just ran into me.

To the man who stole my friend's cowboy hat at Famous Dave's: Will you please return it to Farm House? Thank you.

I just saw a guy wearing a cape, and he is sexy.

This is Sarah Palin, and I'm just calling to say "Go K-State!"

I would like to congratulate the self-proclaimed national championship contender hockey team for losing every game this weekend. Way to go, guys.

Hey, football team, you guys suck. Give me some pads — maybe I could stop someone.

I'm glad our TVs are getting switched over. Now I can watch our football team suck in high def.

She was kinda drunk. I was completely sober. Wow, that sounds worse than I thought.

This is your village. We miss you. Please come back.

Prime time, rhyme line, away from the bars I run. I'm not a smoker, but I smell like one.

Monopoly is back at McDonald's. I just ate seven hash browns and two medium drinks.

Yes, will you guys be getting texting soon?

My roommate is like a squirrel. He likes to have nuts in his mouth.

Dear Fourum: The Derb's food sucked today. I bit into my sandwich and the turkey was frozen. Thanks.

Help me out. My roommate and I are having a contest to see who can get in the Fourum the most, and he's beating me down.

We need a "Where's Waldo" in the Collegian. Or maybe a redheaded Irishman. Do it.

To the cute girl in the Grand Am: Thanks for letting me go first at the four way. Next time we're not dodging pedestrians, maybe we should stop and talk.

Hey, Adam Pham, you're neither a legal or a medical professional, so I feel like your opinions on circumcision and the OJ trial are kind of stupid.



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K-State addresses retention rates with grade checks, university-wide program, focusing on minority students

By Sheila Ellis
KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

This is the first part of a five-part series that will examine retention rate issues among black students at predominately white universities, specifically K-State.

Jeremy James had many odds against him. He was a young black parent, attended a low-academic achievement high school, and was a first-generation college student.

According to statistics concerning black men who graduate from predominately white universities, James had very slim chances of succeeding at K-State.

After a rough first semester of classes and threats of academic dismissal, James defied the statistics.

Today, James is a junior in computer science at K-State.

He said supportive administration and multicultural organizations have encouraged him thus far. He is just one successful student out of many who were left behind.

K-STATE RETENTION RATES

The graduation rate of white students at K-State is significantly greater than the graduation rate of black students, according to a 2002 survey that tracked students from their freshman to senior years.

Only 35 percent of black students will graduate within six years, the average time to complete a bachelor's degree, compared with 60 percent of white students, according to the same study.

But this is nothing new. The retention rate of black students on predominately white campuses always has been low but has more recently captured the at-

tention of K-State's administration as a result of numerous national reports.

Studies reveal the highest percentage of students leave sometime between their second and third year, when students must choose their majors.

Compared to other demographics, black students – especially men – are less likely to graduate from K-State.

The five main issues affecting black students' retention rates include being first-generation students, poor preparation for college, low-income status, distance from home and lack of parental support, said Myra Gordon, K-State's associate provost for diversity.

"This is not a peculiar K-State problem. It's our obligation to address. We've been painfully aware of these issues over the last five to seven years," said Gordon, who has evaluated the retention rates among black students at K-State.

NATIONAL RETENTION ISSUE

The national college enrollment rate of black students has increased. This nationwide trend has resulted in more black students at white universities than ever before, Gordon said.

"With this occurrence we have come to the realization that if black students go to predominately white institutions, the chances are they are not going to graduate," Gordon said.

Universities have focused many retention initiatives on the student life realm, including resident life and student organizations. However, Gordon says the administration and academic life departments must work on retention initiatives.

Gordon has brought

the retention issue to the top of K-State's administration agenda by creating a self-sustaining program to address the rates.

"With what we had and what we've done the statistics show that it's clearly not enough. We have to be honest with ourselves," Gordon said.

K-STATE'S RETENTION INITIATIVES

Project Impact, a program to recruit and retain black students, is just one part of a 12-point program that will involve administration, academic advisers, faculty and current multicultural K-State students.

The first part of the program will focus on communication between administration and faculty.

Retention Summits will be held to improve communication and implement solutions to control the retention rates in each college.

Duane Nellis, K-State provost and senior vice president, will hold faculty

responsible for upholding the new retention procedures and systems during these summits.

"If advisers see students aren't going to make it into a major, they need to take concern and make a few phone calls to make sure that student can succeed," he said.

In the past 25 years, every retention study in the nation has indicated poor academic advising is a factor in poor retention rates, Gordon explained.

"I'm bothered by this data," Nellis said. "I think we need to do a better job – it's just unacceptable."

This semester, K-State administration has created Mid-Term Academic Progress Reports, an early-warning system in which faculty who have one or more new freshmen enrolled in their courses will rate the students' academic performance as satisfactory or unsatisfactory.

Instructors must give reasons for "unsatisfactory" grades, like poor atten-

dance in class, poor performance on exams and assignments, poor class participation, insufficient out-of-class preparation, lack of pre-requisite skills required by the course or "other."

The ratings are posted on iSIS for the students to see.

Academic advisers and the Academic Assistance Center are in the process of following up with the students to help them improve their grades before it is too late.

"This system is going to be a challenge and is going to take time to implement," Gordon said.

K-State, a student-centered research institution and a land-grant institution, focuses on serving the public with state funding, Gordon said.

For this reason, the university must make sure it is serving the increasing multicultural demographics in the best way possible, she added.

MULTICULTURAL RECRUITMENT AND RETENTION

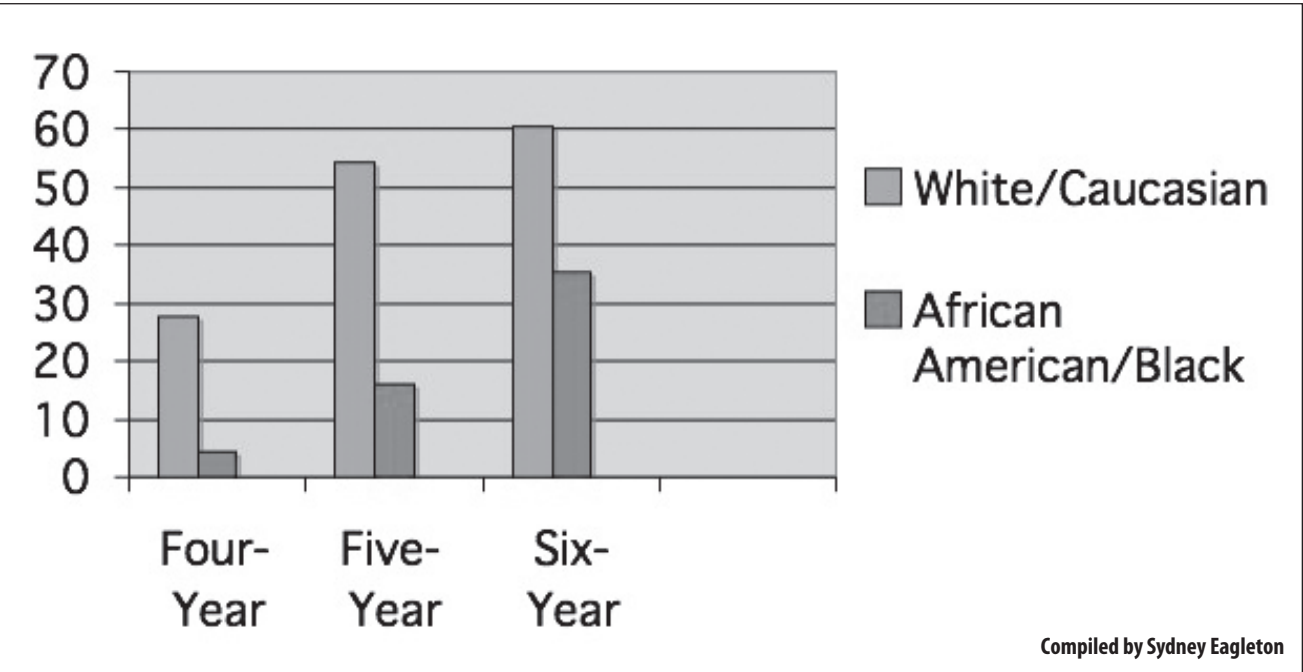
Multicultural student organizations help keep minority students at K-State, Nellis said. For instance, the Developing Scholars Program, a research program for under-represented students, has a graduation rate of 72 percent.

"I think we have the right idea," he said. "We just need more resources."

Companies like Cargill and Dow Jones have donated funding for diversity initiatives at K-State because they understand the changing demographics of the U.S. and value diversity in their workplaces, Gordon said.

To increase multicultural recruitment, Gordon has raised more than \$1 million in corporate donations to fund summer bridge programs, in which middle and high school students will participate in summer programs and classes at K-State.

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Wildcats lose some dedicated fans



JON GARTEN

Dating back to the Bill Snyder years, K-State football has had about 45,000 fans who could be considered diehards. In almost any situation, the Wildcats could count on at least this many people attending games.

It appears Ron Prince might have lost at least a couple thousand of those fans. In K-State's Big 12 Conference home opener against No. 7 Texas Tech on Saturday, there were only 43,614 people in attendance.

Since 2004, Saturday's attendance was the lowest for a K-State Big 12 home opener.

In 2006, the Wildcats played their first Big 12 home game against Oklahoma State. It was Prince's first year. K-State got beat by Baylor, 17-3, the week before. Several fans questioned Prince's ability.

Still, the Wildcats drew a crowd of 46,616. Though the program was in a state of uncertainty, the diehards still showed up.

A lot of them weren't happy, but they still had the confidence to pack bags of charcoal and cases of Bud Light into their F-150s and drive to Snyder Family Stadium. Some of them set aside their Saturdays, traveling across the state from western Kansas.

But Saturday, against a top-10 team, the Wildcats saw a significant dip in attendance. A lot of people who have spent money on tickets

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GOLF

Men's team finishes 4th

WILDCATS PLACE FOURTH IN RENO

RENO, Nev. – Following a third round score of 4-over 292, the Kansas State men's golf team finished fourth with a three round score of 1-under par 863 at the Wolf Pack Classic.

K-State senior Robert Streb, this week's Wildcat of the Week, tied with Tom Whitney of Air Force for 10th place with a three round-score of 72-70-71–213, 3-under par. Streb carded a 1-under par 71 on Tuesday, continuing his hot start of the season where he has carded eight par or below-par scores out of nine rounds played.

Junior Joe Ida placed in a five-way tie for 16th place after carding an even par score of 216. Mitchell Gregson carded a 72-71-75 for a 2-over par 218, placing him in a tie for 26th place with seven other golfers.

K-STATE FINISHES ONE SPOT HIGHER ON DAY TWO

LUBBOCK, Texas – The K-State women's golf team moved up one spot from day one to finish in 11th place at the Jeannine McHaney/Audrey Morehead Invitational. The Wildcats finished the tournament shooting a 337-312-314–963 (+87) at the par 73, 6,525-yard Rawls Course.

The Wildcats were never able to fully recover from a first round in which they shot a 337 (+45). K-State was able to cut 25 strokes off its first round in round two, and shoot a 22-over par in round three.

— K-State Sports Information

Cheers!



Matt Binter | COLLEGIAN

Amanda Scott, freshman in art, cheers at the southeast corner of the football field at Bill Snyder Family Stadium during the game against Texas Tech.

New cheerleading coach helps squad through organization, experience

By Lauren Taggart
KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

Dannielle Ruoff spent most of her time on the sidelines cheering

her team to victories in both junior high and high school.

Her athletic talent paid off in college as she cheered on Montana State University-

Bozeman and joined an all-star team that traveled through California and Hawaii for competitions.

This is when Ruoff said cheerleading became serious for her, eventually leading her on a coaching path that started at her alma mater, then to Montana State University-Billings and now K-State.

As of Aug. 1, Ruoff is the new personality behind the K-State spirit squad, and her recent arrival was still evident by the unpacked boxes that clogged her renovated office more than a month after her arrival.

Ruoff said accepting the role as head cheerleading coach this fall was a pivotal moment in her athletic career.

"The Big 12 is an appetizing division to enter," Ruoff said. "Plus my favorite color is purple."

Many in the K-State Athletics Department have been pleased

with the decision to add Ruoff as cheerleading coach.

"Hiring her was easy – she had good expertise, great organization and can work well with all entities she is given," said Laura Tietjen, senior woman administrator and associate athletics director.

Ruoff said the transition from Montana to Kansas has been easy because of the welcoming atmosphere in the Manhattan and K-State communities.

"The people have been helpful, which is a delightful change from other places I have been employed," Ruoff said.

Since the position at K-State is a step up from her previous positions, Ruoff said she has been able to ease into the position more than previous jobs.

"There has been a lot of patience, and I am optimistic

See CHEERLEADER, Page 10



Joslyn Brown | COLLEGIAN

Danielle Ruoff was the cheerleading coach for Montana State University-Billings before she came to K-State.

VOLLEYBALL

Wildcats to face struggling Missouri team at home

By Staff Report
KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

After opening Big 12 Conference play with a 3-1 record, it appears the Wildcat volleyball team has fallen into a rut.

In the squad's last two matches – an inconsistent 3-2 win at Kansas and a tough 0-3 sweep at Texas – the No. 16 Wildcats struggled and seemed to be overmatched at times.

K-State (14-3, 4-2 Big 12 Conference) will return to Ahearn Field House to take on another squad that has been shaky, the Missouri Tigers (8-7, 2-3 Big 12). Action is set to begin at 7 tonight.

The Tigers, led by sophomore outside hitter

Julianna Klein (3.57 kills per game), have stumbled out of the gate since the beginning of league play. The team has dropped three of its first five Big 12 matches, with two of those losses coming on the road.

The Wildcats are looking to bounce back from their loss at Texas – the first time they were swept this season. The team has been led by senior outside hitter Rita Liliom, who is averaging 4.24 kills per game.

Tonight's match will mark the 68th meeting between the Tigers and Wildcats, with K-State holding a slim 37-30 series lead. The Wildcats swept the season series in 2007 and own an 18-12 advantage in Manhattan. They have won 19



Jonathan Knight | COLLEGIAN

The volleyball team will go up against Missouri tonight at 7.

of 24 matches against Missouri since the Big 12's

FOOTBALL NOTEBOOK

Bedore could be out Saturday; Moore to return

DEPTH CHART NEWS

■ Junior offensive tackle Edward Prince will start at left tackle this week against Texas A&M. Season-long starter Alesana Alesana will backup Prince.



JOHN HOULIK

■ Linebacker John Houlik, who saw his first playing time of the season against Texas Tech after returning from suspension, will start over Ulla Pomele at middle linebacker.

Injury report

■ Prince said the health status of starting center

Jordan Bedore is in question for Saturday's game against the Aggies. Bedore left the game in the second quarter with an apparent arm injury, and Zach Kendall slid over from guard to center for the rest of the game.

"He got banged up in the game," Prince said. "I'll have to let the medical staff tell me exactly what his status is. He got hit pretty hard on a certain part of his arm and he wasn't able to continue."

■ Prince said he expects linebacker Antwon Moore to return and play after sitting out the Tech game because of a leg injury.

PLAYER TO WATCH

■ Prince said he is very worried about Texas A&M running back Michael Goodson and the offense as a whole.

"They are extraordinary," Prince said. "He is as fantastic of a runner that I have seen in a long time."

A GAME ON THE GROUND

■ Both the Texas A&M and K-State defenses struggle at stopping the run. The Aggies rank No. 114 out of 119 Division-I teams, allowing 225 yards a game on the ground. Meanwhile,

the Wildcats rank 101st in the country, allowing 192.4 yards on the ground.

STARTING QUARTERBACK FOR A&M IN QUESTION

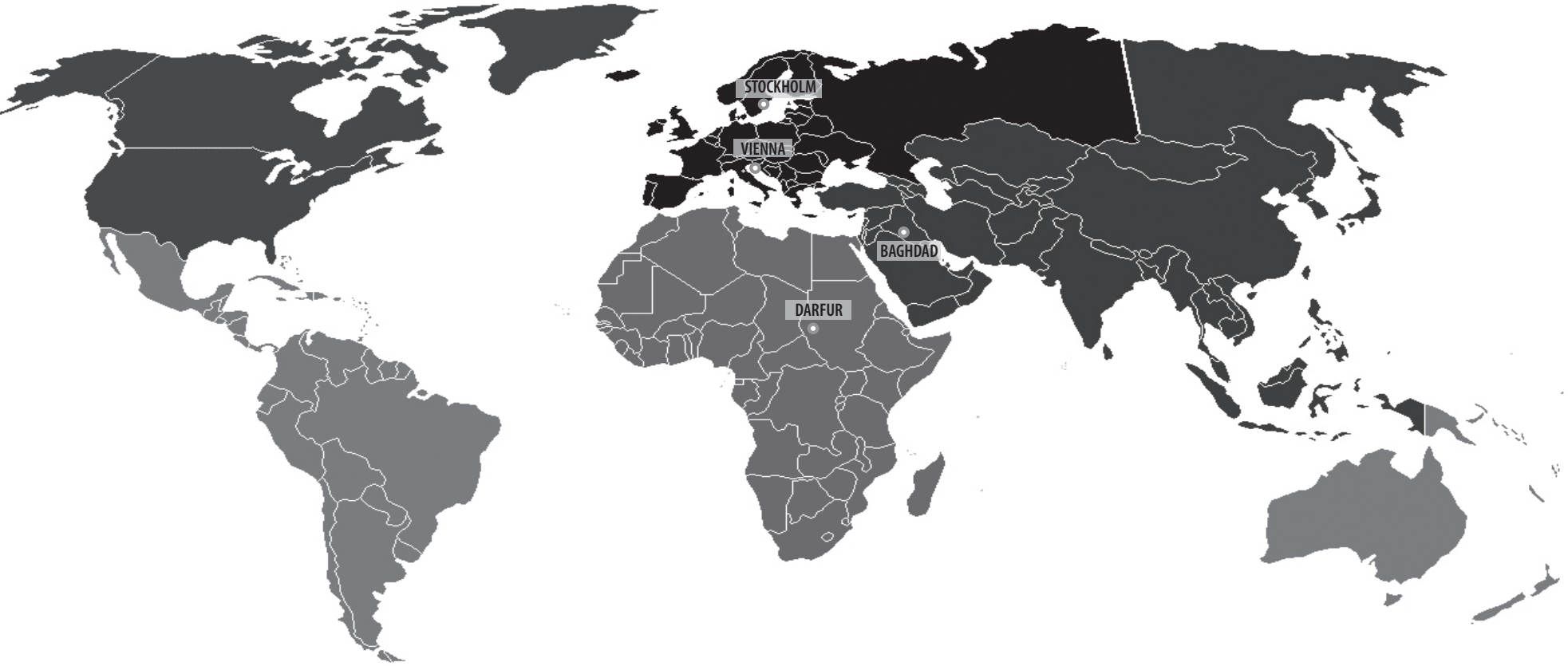
■ Longtime Aggie starter Stephen McGee did not start last Saturday against Oklahoma State because of a shoulder injury. Sophomore Jerrod Johnson has played a majority of the snaps at quarterback this season, completing 56 percent of his passes for 670 yards and nine touchdowns. Johnson, a 6-foot-5, 230-pound quarterback reminds Prince of Josh Freeman and JaMarcus Russell.

"I'm really impressed with his pocket awareness," Prince said. "He can run the football. He can do all of the things you would expect. I think he's a fearless competitor. He has taken some shots in the pocket, and it hasn't fazed him at all. We could see both [McGee and Johnson]. I am not sure"

A PAIR OF STRUGGLING TEAMS

■ The Aggies have a 2-3 record going into the game, including a loss at home to Arkansas State. They lost last Saturday 56-28 at Oklahoma State. The Wildcats have lost two of their last three games and are looking for a bounce-back win.

WORLD NEWS



UN CHIEF SEES OBSTACLES TO HELPING DARFUR, SOMALIA

UNITED NATIONS – The beleaguered peace-keeping force in Sudan’s violence-wracked Darfur region cannot be significantly strengthened this year because of increased dangers, the U.N. chief said Tuesday.

Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon said he has delayed his goal of putting 22,000 of the authorized 26,000 troops on the ground by the end of this year.

The African Union-U.N. force known as UN-AMID in Darfur currently numbers about 10,000. Ban said he hopes to reach 17,000 by January and the 22,000 mark around March.

“I may have to adjust a little bit in view of the circumstances on the ground,”

he told reporters. “The situation in Darfur is deteriorating. We are seeing increasing attacks on U.N. and international staff.”

The force relies heavily on African troops, which Sudan has insisted on, and has been beset by a critical lack of equipment contributions like helicopters. Ban said he has been discussing with Ukraine’s president and defense minister the possibility of that nation providing some military choppers and more troops.

DARK MATTER, NEW PLANETS COULD BRING PHYSICS NOBEL

STOCKHOLM, Sweden – Scientists who have pursued dark matter, hunted for undiscovered planets and advanced nanotechnology were being touted Monday as candidates for the 2008 Nobel Prize in

physics.

But the prize being announced on Tuesday is one of the toughest to predict given the complexity of science involved for an award encompassing a wide latitude of subjects.

Karin Bojs, science editor of Stockholm daily Dagens Nyheter, predicted the 2008 award would honor work to discover planets in other solar systems.

Her top picks for researchers in that field who could take the prize were Aleksander Wolszczan of Poland, Canadian researcher Dale Frail and Swiss scientists Michel Mayor and Didier Queloz.

Bojs said other possibilities include Vera C. Rubin of the Carnegie Institution of Washington for her work on dark matter, material that makes up most of the universe yet can only be discerned by its gravitational effects.

IRAQ’S FM: ‘BOLD’ DECISIONS NEEDED ON BASES DEAL

BAGHDAD – The Iraqi foreign minister said Tuesday it will require “bold political decisions” to resolve the major issue standing in the way of a deal allowing American troops to remain here next year – who would try U.S. troops accused of crimes.

Neighboring Iran stepped up pressure against the proposed agreement, with President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad telling a visiting Iraqi official that Iraq had “a duty” to resist the Americans and another Iranian leader warning of unspecified consequences throughout the region.

American and Iraqi negotiators have been working for months to hammer out an agreement governing the operations of U.S. forces in this country after

the current U.N. mandate expires at the end of the year.

Iraqi officials say the draft calls for U.S. troops to leave the country by the end of 2011 unless the Baghdad government asks them to stay.

But legal immunity for U.S. soldiers under Iraqi law has emerged as the major obstacle, with neither side able to find language to satisfy the other.

FAR-RIGHT AUSTRIA GOVERNOR ISOLATES ASYLUM SEEKERS

VIENNA, Austria – Far-right Gov. Joerg Haider has set up a facility in the remote mountains of southern Austria to handle asylum seekers suspected as criminals, saying they need to be isolated to protect the people in the area.

Haider gained international prominence in 1999

when the Freedom Party, which he then headed, took 27 percent of the vote in Austria’s parliamentary elections. The party’s subsequent inclusion in the government led to months of European Union sanctions over Haider’s statements, which were seen as anti-immigrant, anti-Semitic and sympathetic to Adolf Hitler’s labor policies.

Haider is now governor of Carinthia province and his regional government set up the facility for asylum seekers, which sits in a secluded pasture in the mountains of southern Austria at an altitude of about 3,900 feet.

“With this security precaution, we are protecting the Carinthian population,” Haider told a news conference Monday. He said the number of criminal asylum seekers was on the rise.

-Associated Press

FANS | Fans doubt Prince, program

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have chosen not to use them.

What makes the pathetic crowd worse is that the Wildcats were playing the No. 7 team in the nation.

Typically for games like that, K-State has no trouble bringing in close to 50,000 fans.

There’s always something exciting about hosting a top-10 team. There’s the excitement of watching a really good football team, even if your team is struggling.

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Despite all that, thousands of K-State fans chose to not attend. Something has discouraged K-State fans enough to keep them away from Snyder Family Stadium.

There is a lot of doubt in Prince and the program he’s trying to build.

He’s had trouble keeping assistant coaches from leaving.

He’s struggled to recruit the best Kansas high school football players.

His defense looks like it’s straight out of the Stan Parish era.

K-State fans realize it takes time to build a consistent winner. It even took Snyder about five years before his program went to bowl games every year.

But K-State fans should not have to put up with a program that they believe is going nowhere. It’s unlikely they will.

Many of those same fans who refused to go to the Tech game might decide that they don’t want to buy season tickets next year.

Not only will that be a significant loss of money for the athletic department, but it will result in Manhattan feeling the negative economic effects as well.

What’s sad is that Saturday’s showing might only be the beginning.

If the Wildcats continue to struggle, it wouldn’t be too surprising if less than 40,000 fans show up to the season-ending game against Iowa State.

Jon Garten is a senior in print journalism. Please send comments to sports@pub.ksu.edu.

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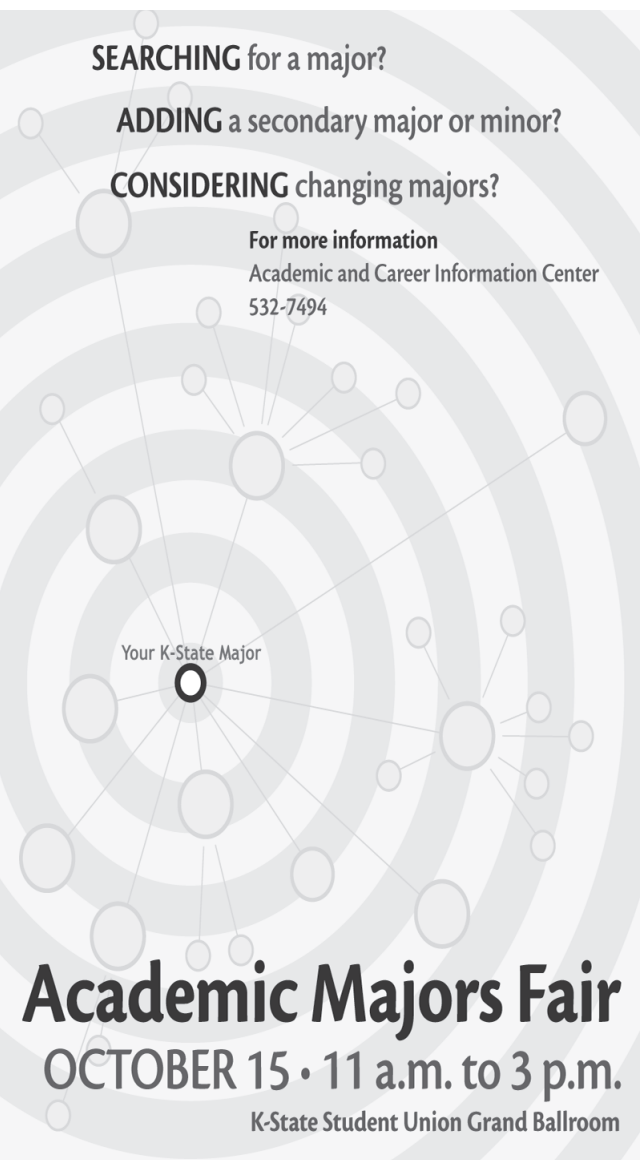
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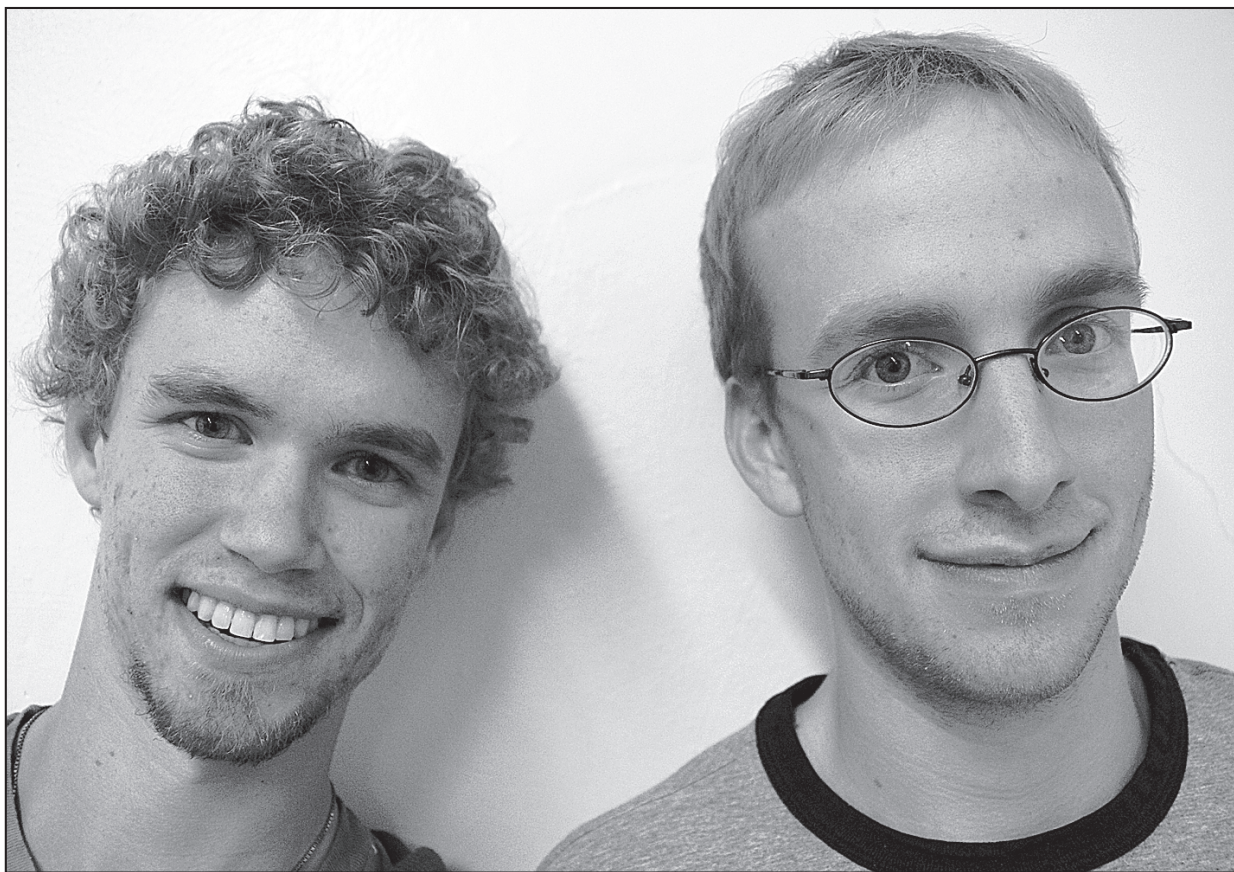


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Seeing Double



TOP: Emily and Elizabeth Kennedy
ABOVE: Charlie and Willie Todd

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K-State twins share interests, have individual characteristics as well

By Mark Stephan
KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

Growing up, Emily and Elizabeth Kennedy always were dressed exactly the same. They were on the same sports teams, and when it came time for college, they even enrolled at the University of Kansas together as freshman.

However, the Kennedys, originally from Topeka, both transferred to K-State, where they still share friends, an apartment and of course, their looks. The Kennedys are more than just sisters – they are identical twins.

Fraternal twins occur when two different eggs are fertilized during conception, and identical twins form when one egg is fertilized and then splits in two, according to “Facts About Twins,” an article by Dr. Vincent Iannelli on the Web site, *keepkid-shealthy.com*.

The site also said that both types of twins are individualistic; however, fraternal twins tend to be more so than identical twins.

Fraternal twins might have similar physical features but do not look exactly the same. Fraternal twins also tend to show more signs of individuality, simply because they came from two different eggs, opposed to one.

However, identical twins are exactly that: identical. They have very similar physical features and tastes in everything from fashion to food.

The Kennedys are almost identical in every aspect, save a few rare exceptions, including their eating habits.

“Em is a really boring eater,” Elizabeth said. “I’m not a boring eater. I love hot sauce, and I will put it on almost anything.”

Just because they look and often even behave the same way, the two women said they each have definitive qualities that help individualize them.

For example, though they both said they plan on graduating from K-State in December 2009, they will have earned different degrees. Emily is studying public relations, and Elizabeth is getting her degree in apparel marketing. Even though Emily and Elizabeth have always been together and are rarely seen apart – aside from classes and work – they do have separate thoughts.

“It’s not like we have ESP,” Emily said. “We have our own thoughts about everything, we just choose to do most things together because that is how it has always been and it’s most comfortable that way.”

Charlie and Willie Todd, fraternal twins and sophomores at K-State, also said they are pursuing different degrees.

Charlie is studying secondary education and math, and Willie is majoring in business but is still searching for the major that fits him the best. Willie is just uncertain that business is his calling and is taking his time to find the right major.

“I’m not sure what I want to do. I have been just trying to get my general education done before I really make a commitment,” Willie said.

Despite their differing academic tastes, the Todds said they share many extracur-

ricular interests, like fencing. Charlie and Willie both said they love to fence and have been fencing since they were in high school; the Todds are involved in K-State’s Fencing Club.

As for the amount of time Charlie and Willie spend together, the two live in dorm rooms located across the hall from each other in Putnam Hall.

They also are involved in Campus Crusade for Christ, a campus ministry group, and help lead a small group Bible study. Charlie said he is more outgoing and leads in many situations, while Willie is quieter and makes comments that complement conversation and set facts straight. With Charlie’s outgoing personality and Willie’s ability to make sure everything is clarified, the duo make for great small-group leaders.

Charlie and Willie both said having a twin is just like having any other sibling.

“We don’t look alike, so I guess we really never think about it,” Charlie said. “I just consider Willie another sibling like any other, only we have the same birthday.”

The Kennedy and Todd twins might share birthdays and common interests, but they all said they feel just like other college students who might have a sibling who is close to them in age.

“We have separate lives, but it’s just that we share a lot of things with someone who is exactly the same age as we are,” Emily said. “We are no different from any other college student.”

based on the fact that growing up, we were always together, so this is the first time we’ve been separate and through that, our relationship has gotten stronger.”



MATUSZEWICZ TWINS

Krystin and Tahnee Matuszewicz, juniors in family studies and human services and secondary education and math, respectively, are identical twins who share an apartment.

“I get so many people who come up to me and ask me about a class and I just think they must be thinking of my sister because I have no idea what they’re talking about,” Krystin said. “I will turn my head if I hear Krystin or Tahnee; it’s a reaction for me. Half the time I don’t even correct them.”

—Compiled by Sydney Eagleton

STUDY ABROAD LOG

Student describes the tastes of China



SAMUEL BRINTON

A month has gone by since I last told you about my adventures in China – and what a crazy month it has been.

After returning from the Olympics, I was shoved full force into the daily life of a Shanghai citizen.

When asked by fellow Wildcats what my favorite part of China is, my answer is nearly always the same: the food.

I have fallen in love with the vast selection of meals one can buy for ridiculously low prices.

I eat out nearly every meal, and the cost per day is still less than \$2.

My vocabulary in the classroom also is being constantly supplemented with words I found while trying to order a dish.

The waitresses truly enjoy my effort to pronounce the food I will be eating.

A favorite pastime I am developing is the point meal.

I randomly point at the menu written entirely in characters and hope I can eat whatever I have chosen.

Though I am used to eating with 30 hungry guys in Smith Scholarship House, my home at K-State, the noise level of the typical Chinese restaurant can make my brothers’ discussions sound like whispers.

I have adapted to this sound level but still have more adapting to do.

The spices are abundant in China, and they range from an enticing low burn to a fiery disaster.

Also, my adeptness at using chopsticks is increasing, but I can’t help but notice the stares from the local students as I try to pick up the tofu.

While restaurants are wonderful for finding a delicacy prepared from a family-specific recipe, I find the open marketplace to be a treasure trove of sights and smells.

Only a few blocks away from my dorm room, I can find nearly every type of meat, vegetable, or fruit imaginable.

Flapping chickens run around a pen while fish and crabs jump from one tank to the next.

The cats and dogs, ready to be the next meal, were too much for me to see, but I don’t judge since I have eaten both meats as delicacies since I have been in China, along with scorpion and sea horse.

I could keep describing the international tastes of China, but I need to catch my flight to Hong Kong.

It is the National Day holiday here in China, and that means a full week of vacation.

I’ll be visiting Hong Kong and then taking a train from Singapore to Thailand through the Malaysian jungle.

I am so excited about this trip and will be happy to share my adventures with you in my next column. Until then ... *Zai jian wo de peng you!*

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HISTORY | Farrell Library renamed in 1997

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“People explain to me, ‘It’s like the old musicals you see about college campuses.’”

Cherie Geiser, head of collection services and a liaison to Friends of the K-State Libraries, said one of the group’s initiatives is to preserve the Great Room.

“We’re trying to, in the next couple years, push for a great big fundraising project to do a complete renovation of the Great Room to bring it back to its formal glory,” Geiser said.

She said they would like to replace chandeliers, restore the windows, and finish the mural restoration that was started a summer ago.

Restoring just two of the four murals cost \$50,000, she said.

Farrell Library’s original construction is nearly entirely intact today, Crawford said.

When the latest addition was being built, portions of Farrell’s interior were renovated but no major changes to the building were made.

“When [the university administration] gave the information to the architects they said, ‘You cannot touch old Farrell Library.’ It must remain as it is because of its historical significance, and its fine architectural style,” Crawford, who has worked at the library for 23 years, said.

When the Hale addition was constructed, most of the stacks built in 1970 were torn down, while Farrell and the 1955 stacks remained. The new addition wrapped around the east, south and

west sides of the library.

This left Farrell Library as the north face of the library, overlooking the Quad, as it had for more than 80 years.

The additions to the library created concerns for some alumni, as they wanted to see the integrity of the original library respected, Patton said.

“Our older alumni ... have very, very fond memories of old Farrell Library,” she said. “I have one friend that will never step foot in it since it became Hale.”

Crawford said he is unsure whether students recognize the history of the library as they walk through a building that was built in four different eras.

“I know, however,” he said, “because I can see the seams in the floor.”

DOWNTOWN | Economic problems slow downtown redevelopment

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trouble getting investment banks to buy bonds in a time of economic strife.

“The question is, what happens when that note comes due next June?” Hayden said. “And the answer is we hope we issued STAR bonds by that time, because if we issued STAR bonds then they’ll pay off that note.”

Hayden said even if the city cannot raise enough money to pay off the loan, the bank might extend the payment deadline.

“I’ve got a verbal commitment from them that they’re willing to extend that note,” Hayden said. “But that was before we had three investment banks go out of business and AIG go under and a huge governmental bailout and all the turmoil that’s taken place in the last two weeks in the financial markets.”

Even before the economic downturn, though, Dial had trouble attracting

retailers to the area. Hayden said Kohl’s, Old Navy, Ruby Tuesday’s and Lone Star Steakhouse all said they were coming but pulled out for various reasons, which ranged from the lawsuit to Manhattan’s relatively small population.

“There’s a sense that we are very rural and that we don’t have as big of a population market as a Johnson County, Kansas City, Wichita type of area,” Hayden said.

Kiolbasa said though the redevelopment plan has been delayed several months by a lawsuit, lack of retailer interest in the area and the recent economic downturn, the project is still moving forward. The buildings for Hy-Vee, Office Max, Petco and Bed, Bath & Beyond are already being built and are expected to open toward the beginning of the fall semester.

“It’s taking longer than expected, but we are getting it done,” Kiolbasa said.

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the transition will continue to be successful,” Ruoff said.

Ruoff’s new position allows her to integrate positive changes into the structure and function of the squad.

Besides supplying new uniforms and integrating new stunts this season, she has brought a more professional attitude to her squad.

Ruoff said she views her squad as a positive marketing tool for the athletics department and predicts a successful campaign with the Manhattan community in regards to displaying positive role models for the university.

“Danielle will bring real organization to the squad that will be beneficial in future years,” Tietjen said.

Ruoff said another goal for the new coach is to develop a deep, positive relationship with her squad and prove herself as an effective mentor to the fellow squad members.

Jackie Capite, freshman member, said she thinks Ruoff already is making a steady transition.

“If people give her the chance, she will achieve great things,” Capite said, “because she knows what she is talking about.”

Executives’ retreat after bailout angers lawmakers

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WASHINGTON – Less than a week after the federal government had to bail out American International Group Inc., the company sent executives on a \$440,000 retreat to a posh California resort, lawmakers investigating the company’s meltdown said Tuesday.

The tab included \$23,380 worth of spa treatments for AIG employees at the coastal St. Regis resort south of Los Angeles even as the company tapped into an \$85 billion loan from the government it needed to stave off bankruptcy.

The retreat didn’t include anyone from the financial products division that nearly drove AIG under, but lawmakers were still enraged over thousands of dollars spent on catered banquets, golf outings and visits to the resort’s spa and salon for executives of AIG’s main U.S. life insurance subsidiary.

“Average Americans are suffering economically. They’re losing their jobs, their homes and their health insurance,” House Oversight Committee Chairman Henry Waxman, D-Calif., said. “Yet less than one week after the taxpayers rescued AIG, company executives could be found wining and dining at one of the most exclusive resorts in the nation.”

The hearing also revealed that AIG executives hid the full range of its risky financial products from auditors as losses mounted, according to documents released Tuesday by a congressional panel examining the chain of events that forced the government to bail out the conglomerate.

The panel sharply criticized AIG’s former top executives, who cast blame on each other for the company’s financial woes.

“You have cost my constituents and the taxpayers of this country \$85 billion and run into the ground one of the most respected insurance companies in the history of our country,” said Rep. Carolyn Maloney, D-N.Y. “You were just gambling billions, possibly trillions of dollars.”

AIG, crippled by huge losses linked to mortgage defaults, was forced last month to accept the \$85 billion government loan that gives the U.S. the right to an 80 percent stake in the company.

Waxman unveiled documents showing AIG executives hid the full extent of the firm’s risky financial products from auditors, both outside and inside the firm, as losses mounted.

For instance, federal regulators at the Office of Thrift Supervision warned in March that “corporate oversight of AIG Financial Products ... lack critical elements of independence.” At the same time, Pricewaterhouse Cooper confidentially warned the company that the “root cause” of its mounting problems was denying internal overseers in charge of limiting AIG’s exposure access to what was going on in its highly leveraged financial products branch.

Waxman also released testimony from former AIG auditor Joseph St. Denis, who resigned after being blocked from giving his input on how the firm estimated its liabilities.

Three former AIG executives were summoned to appear before the hearing. One of them, Maurice “Hank” Greenberg – who ran AIG for 38 years until 2005 – canceled his appearance citing illness but submitted prepared testimony. In it, he blamed the company’s financial woes on his successors, former CEOs Martin Sullivan and Robert Willumstad.

“When I left AIG, the company operated in 130 countries and employed approximately 92,000 people,” Greenberg said. “Today, the company we built up over almost four decades has been virtually destroyed.”

Sullivan and Willumstad, in turn, cast much of the blame on accounting rules that forced AIG to take tens of billions of dollars in losses stemming from exposure to toxic mortgage-related securities.

Lawmakers also upbraided Sullivan, who ran the firm from 2005 until June of this year, for urging AIG’s board of directors to waive pay guidelines to win a \$5 million bonus for 2007 – even as the company lost \$5 billion in the 4th quarter of that year. Sullivan countered that he was mainly concerned with helping other senior executives.

Sullivan also came under fire for reassuring shareholders about the health of the company last December, just days after its auditor, Pricewaterhouse Cooper, warned of him that AIG was displaying “material weakness” in its huge exposure to potential losses from insuring mortgage-related securities.

AIG’s problems did not come from its traditional insurance subsidiaries, which remain healthy, but instead from its financial services operations, primarily its insurance of mortgage-backed securities and other risky debt against default. Government officials feared a panic might occur if AIG couldn’t make good on its promise to cover losses on the securities; investors feared the consequences would pose a threat to the U.S. financial system, which led to the government bailout.

AIG suffered huge losses when its credit rating was cut, thanks largely to complex financial transactions known as “credit default swaps.” AIG was a major seller of the swaps, which are a form of insurance, though they are not regulated that way.

The swap contracts promise payment to investors in mortgage bonds in the event of a default. AIG has been forced to raise billions of dollars in collateral to back up those guarantees.

Sullivan said many of the firm’s problems stemmed from “mark to market” accounting rules mandating that its positions guaranteeing troubled mortgage securities be carried as tens of billions of dollars in losses on its balance sheet.

This in turn, said former AIG chief executive Willumstad, who ran the company for just three months after Sullivan left, forced the firm to raise billions of dollars in capital. The federal rescue came after AIG suffered disastrous liquidity problems after its credit rating was lowered, forcing the company to come up with even more capital.

“AIG was caught in a vicious cycle,” Willumstad said in the testimony.

Greenberg said that AIG “wrote as many credit default swaps ... in the nine months following my departure as it had written in the entire previous seven years combined. Moreover, “unlike what had been true during my tenure, the majority of the credit default swaps that AIGFP wrote in the nine months after I retired were reportedly exposed to subprime mortgages.”

But Sullivan said the complex swaps had underlying value, even as the market for them froze, sending their book value plummeting and forcing AIG to scramble for collateral.

“When the credit markets seized up, like many other financial institutions, we were forced to mark our swap positions at fire-sale prices as if we owned the underlying bonds, even though we believed that our swap positions had value if held to maturity,” Sullivan said.

The hearing is the second in two days into financial excesses and regulatory mistakes that have spooked stock and credit markets and heightened fears about a global recession.

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